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HQ LEAD NUMBER: FY22-238366-3714-CV

SUBJECT: Regional Tip and/or Complaint - California

FROM: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

TO:

Name: Kim Konte

Phone: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Alleged Violator's Name: South Coast Air Quality Management District

Alleged Violator's Address: 21865 Copley Dr, Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Alleged Violator's City: City of Irvine

Alleged Violator's State: California

Alleged Violator's Zip: 92620

Tip or Complaint: SCAQMD lied and falsified information concerning a permit for a mobile blending system at All American Asphalt's Irvine site on a 3/3/21 meeting with the community - <https://vimeo.com/646280296> 1. Based on AAA's 2016 emissions and receptor(homes) locations AAA should have been reprioritized and added to the AB2588 Hot Spots program(error confirmed by CARB). The program would have provided our community safeguards that never were put in place as a result of SCAQMD's error(confirmed by CARB). As a result of SCAQMD's error, AAA was not added to the Hot Spots program and proceeded to increase 1,000 fold emissions of Benzene, formaldehyde, hexavalent chromium that per SCAQMD are the largest contributors to the inhalation cancer risks. 2. AAA's(2018 & 2019 VOC emissions) at the Irvine location alone should have already required AAA to be listed as a Title V Facility! <http://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/permitting/title-v/title-v-issued-active-facilities.pdf?sfvrsn=303> 3. Over 1,000 or more complaints have been filed since 2018 with the SCAQMD due to the noxious burnt rubber odors that flood North Irvine. SCAQMD finally caught All American Asphalt (sometime in 2019) illegally operating a portable crumb

rubber system at the Irvine facility since 2018. Why did it SCAQMD over a year to locate the system that AAA was illegally using? How did those unregulated emissions negatively impact our community? Emissions include heavy metals such as hexavalent chromium. SCAQMD has admitted that the crumb rubber system was one of the main causes of the odor, and yet SCAQMD just issued them a permit that they claim is "CEQA exempt" for a permanent crumb rubber system AAA's EIR used for this project to assess the impacts of to its surrounding is outdated and fails to address the receptors that are 2,000 feet from the facility.

Violation Still Occurring? No

State DEP/DEQ/DEM Notified? No